

This listing of claims will replace the originally filed claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

Claims 1 – 11 (canceled).

Claim 12 (new): A texturizing composition that comprises:

- a) from about 1% to about 90% of at least one self-invertible inverse latex by weight; and
- b) from about 10% to about 99% of at least one powder by weight.

Claim 13 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said composition comprises:

- a) from about 5% to about 80% of said self-invertible inverse latex; and
- b) from about 20% to about 95% of said powder.

Claim 14 (new): The composition according to Claim 13, wherein said composition is essentially free of fillers.

Claim 15 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said composition is in powder form.

Claim 16 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said self-invertible latex is in liquid form.

Claim 17 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said self-invertible latex comprises at least one component selected from the group consisting of:

- a) an oil phase;
- b) an aqueous phase;
- c) at least one water-in-oil (W/O) phase;
- d) an emulsifier; and

e) at least one oil-in-water (O/W) emulsifier.

Claim 18 (new): The composition according to Claim 17, wherein said oil phase is in the range of from about 15% to about 40% by weight of the total latex.

Claim 19 (new): The composition according to Claim 18, wherein said oil phase is in the range of from about 20% to about 25%.

Claim 20 (new): The composition according to Claim 17, wherein said oil phase comprises saturated hydrocarbons.

Claim 21 (new): The composition according to Claim 17, wherein said emulsifier is in the range of from about 2.5% to about 15% by weight of the total latex.

Claim 22 (new): The composition according to Claim 21, wherein said emulsifier is in the range of from about 4% to about 9%.

Claim 23 (new): The composition according to Claim 17, wherein said oil-in-water (O/W) emulsifier comprises a branched or cross-linked polyelectrolyte in the range of from about 20% to about 70% by weight of the total latex.

Claim 24 (new): The composition according to Claim 23, wherein said polyelectrolyte is in the range of from about 25% to about 50%.

Claim 25 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said self-invertible inverse latex comprises at least one inverse emulsion selected from the group consisting of:

a) copolymer of acrylic acid partly in sodium salt form and acrylamide, cross linked with methylenebis (acrylamide);

- b) copolymer of 2-methyl-2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)amino]-1-propanesulphonic acid partly in sodium salt form and acrylamide, cross-linked with methylenebis(acrylamide);
- c) copolymer of 2-methyl-2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)amino]-1-propanesulphonic acid partly in sodium salt form and acrylic acid partly in sodium salt form, cross-linked with methylenebis(acrylamide);
- d) copolymer of 2-methyl-2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)amino]-1-propanesulphonic acid partly in sodium salt form and 2-hydroxyethyl acrylate, cross-linked with methylenebis(acrylamide);
- e) homopolymer of 2-methyl-2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)amino]-1-propanesulphonic acid partly in sodium salt form, cross-linked with methylenebis(acrylamide);
- f) homopolymer of acrylic acid partly in ammonium salt or monoethanolamine salt form, cross-linked with sodium diallyloxyacetate; and
- g) homopolymer of acrylic acid partly in ammonium or monoethanolamine salt form, cross-linked with triallylamine.

Claim 26 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said powder is in spherical form.

Claim 27 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said powder is homogenous.

Claim 28 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said powder comprises at least one component selected from the group consisting of:

- a) synthetic materials;
- b) natural materials;
- c) organic materials;
- d) inorganic materials;
- e) hydrophilic materials; and

f) hydrophobic materials.

Claim 29 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said powder contains a mean diameter in the range of from about 0.01µm to about 250 µm.

Claim 30 (new): The composition according to Claim 29, wherein said diameter is in the range of from about 1 µm to about 50 µm.

Claim 31 (new): The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said powder comprises porous polymethyl methacrylate microspheres.

Claim 32 (new): The composition according to Claim 31, wherein said porous polymethyl methacrylate microsphere has a specific surface area greater than or equal to about 0.5 m² per gram.

Claim 33 (new): The composition according to Claim 13, wherein said powder comprises at least about 50% by weight of the total composition.

Claim 34 (new): A method for improving the texture of a cosmetic or pharmaceutical formulation comprising the steps of:

- i) introducing an effective amount of at least one self-invertible inverse latex to said composition; and
- ii) adding at least one powder.

Claim 35 (new): The method according to Claim 34, wherein said method further comprises:

- iii) adding at least one excipient.

Claim 36 (new): The method according to Claim 34, wherein said cosmetic or pharmaceutical formulation is a solid formulation.

Claim 37 (new): The method according to Claim 36, wherein said formulation is selected from the group consisting of:

- a) foundations;
- b) makeup powders;
- c) mascaras; and
- d) lipsticks.

Claim 38 (new): The method according to Claim 34, wherein said formulation is selected from the group consisting of:

- a) sprayable formulations; and
- b) solutions

wherein said formulation is impregnated on complexion corrector papers or fabrics, paper; or towels utilized in the cosmetic, pharmacy, or hygiene industry.

Claim 39 (new): The method according to Claim 34, wherein said cosmetic or pharmaceutical formulation is utilized to improve the texture of liquids.

Claim 40 (new): The method according to Claim 39, wherein said method is utilized to improve at least one component selected from the group consisting of:

- a) emulsions;
- b) lotions; and
- c) gels.